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RESOLUTION NUMBER XXXX

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NEGOTIATED PURCHASE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO PREPARE A GREENBELT FOREST PRESERVE HEALTH ASSESSMENT WITH A. MORTON THOMAS AND ASSOCIATES, INC. AT A COST OF \$28,450

WHEREAS, in November 2014, Council directed staff to prepare a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the purpose of securing professional services to prepare a forest health assessment for the Greenbelt Forest Preserve; and

WHEREAS, a RFP was prepared by City staff with review and input from the Forest Preserve Board, and sent to 145 consulting individuals and firms; and

WHEREAS, five (5) responses were received and evaluated by City staff and the Forest Preserve Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Council conducted a work session to consider the proposals on August 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the proposal submitted by A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. was determined to be the preferred proposal; NOW, THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland that the City Manager be authorized to contract with A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. for the purchase of professional services to prepare a Greenbelt Forest Preserve Forest Health Assessment, in accord with their proposal dated June 12, 2015, a cost of \$28,450.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its regular meeting of September 28, 2015.

Emmett V. Jordan, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Murray, City Clerk